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As a Business Litigation associate and member of the Advocacy Department, Lauren Brink Adams defends a number of national and international companies in a wide variety of complex commercial litigation matters.

Ms. Adams has defended a broad range of clients in the oil and gas, and commercial and industrial construction industries against complex personal injury and property damage lawsuits at both the trial and appellate levels. She focuses her practice on environmental contamination arising out of oil and gas exploration and production activities; torts relating to property matters, including trespass, nuisance, premises liability, and neighboring landowner claims; breach of contract; and corporate disputes, including breach of fiduciary duties claims.

Prior to joining Baker Donelson, Ms. Adams served as a judicial extern to U.S. District Court Judge John W. deGravelles of the Middle District of Louisiana in Baton Rouge and a legislative intern to state representative Franklin J Foil (District 70).

Representative Matters

- Providing ongoing defense of one of the nation's largest aggregates company in complex state and federal court litigation, including consolidated federal class actions, in connection with brine solution mining operations.
- Successfully mediated a highly-contested business dispute involving a multi-million-dollar buyout of a member's interest in a closely-held limited liability company.
- Successfully mediated and defended multiple timber trespass disputes in state and federal court on behalf of a leading national timberland company.
- Secured dismissal with prejudice of all claims against a national mortgage servicing company in federal court.
- Defended a leading global provider of disaster response services in high-profile federal court litigation, following a Congressional investigation, resulting in a favorable settlement.

Professional Honors & Activities

- Named a *Best Lawyers in America*® "Ones to Watch" in Commercial Litigation (2021, 2022); Environmental Law (2022); Energy Law (2022)
- Member – Federal Bar Association, New Orleans Chapter
- Member – New Orleans Bar Association
- Member – Louisiana Bar Association
- Member – American Bar Association

Publications

- "Third Circuit Holds Defendant Liable Under Act 312 without Liability in Tort or Contract," *Louisiana Bar Journal*, Vol. 69, No. 5 (February 2022)
- Co-author – "Operator's Intent Determined Whether Well was a Unit Well or Lease Well" and "Court Grants Preliminary Injunction Against 'Pause' on Federal Oil and Gas Leasing," Recent Developments, *Louisiana Bar Journal*, Vol. 69, No. 2 (August/September 2021)

- Co-author – "Landowner Not Entitled to Disgorgement of Defendant's Profits as Relief for Trespassing Pipeline," Recent Developments, *Louisiana Bar Journal*, Vol. 69, No. 1 (June/July 2021)
- Co-author – "Company Purchasing Oil from Operator that Committed Trespass Could Invoke Louisiana's Good Faith Purchaser Defense," Recent Developments, *Louisiana Bar Journal*, Volume 68, No. 6 (April/May 2021)
- "Baker's Dozen: Remembrances of RBG," *Women's Initiative Newsletter* (October 2020)
- "Louisiana Federal Court Rejects Expert Testimony Projecting Lost Revenue for Non-Producing Oil and Gas Well," Institute for Energy Law *Oil and Gas E-Report* (December 2019)
- "Simplifying Expert Testimony Through the Use of Headlines and Themes," Louisiana State Bar Association CLE on "The Song and Art of Persuasion" (2019)
- "The Persuasive Use of Experts," Louisiana State Bar Association CLE on "The Song and Art of Persuasion" (2018)



Speaking Engagements

- Presenter – "Recent Developments in Oil and Gas Litigation," 68th Mineral Law Institute (April 2021)
- Co-presenter – "Simplifying Expert Testimony with Headlines and Themes," Louisiana State Bar Association's seminar "Playing Their Song: Using Themes and Headlines to Persuade the Jury" (April 2019)



Education

- Louisiana State University, Paul M. Herbert Law Center, J.D. and Graduate Diploma in Comparative Law, 2016, magna cum laude
 - *Louisiana Law Review* – Junior Associate (Volume 75), Senior Editor (Volume 76)
 - The Order of the Coif
- Louisiana State University, B.A. in Mass Communications, 2013, cum laude



Admissions

- Louisiana, 2016
- U.S. District Courts for the Eastern, Middle, and Western Districts of Louisiana, 2016
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, 2016